

# **Questionnaire for E-Gov Presidential Initiative or Line of Business Standards Selection Process**

## **Background:**

Each E-Gov Presidential Initiative and Line of Business (LOB) requires the use of standards for deployment of innovative, web-based information technology (IT) services. Standards are required to ensure the necessary interoperability and security between government agencies, businesses, and citizens. Such standards are generally private sector, consensus-based standards. In cases where no suitable private sector standards are available, USG may develop and adopt government unique standards.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has recognized the need to identify and validate appropriate and effective standards for E-Gov applications to ensure that the most effective standards are used in E-Gov applications and has assigned this responsibility to NIST. The lack of uniform, effective standards can lead to problems in internet accessibility, data compatibility, as well as national security and personal privacy concerns. NIST has established this E-Gov validation process to address such concerns and to assist federal agencies in the selection of appropriate E-Gov standards.

## **Instructions:**

Please complete the questionnaire in its entirety and forward to:

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If you have any questions regarding the questionnaire you can contact David Alderman on 301-975-4019 (*david.alderman@nist.gov*) or Maureen Breitenberg on 301-975-4031 (*maureen.breitenberg@nist.gov*).

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1. Title of E-Gov Initiative or Line of Business:  
FMLOB - Financial Management Line of Business
2. Initiative / LOB website:  
www.fsio.gov
3. Name and contact information for responsible Project Manager:  
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4. Name and contact information for questions regarding standards used in this initiative/LOB (if different from above):
5. Describe the process that was undertaken to choose and/or develop the standards required to implement the objectives of the Initiative or LOB:  
Collaborative meetings with subject matter experts from agencies to develop the standards. Periodic reviews with certified software vendors to validate items developed.
6. When determining standards needs were consensus standards given first consideration? If not, why?  
Yes. Process for developing standards was via consensus.
7. Describe the process used to ensure that input from all appropriate stakeholders, public and private, was considered?  
Proposed standards were issued as exposure drafts for public comment and those comments were addressed in the development of the final standard.
8. Please list participating federal agencies involved in selecting or developing and implementing standards for the initiative/LOB:  
The 24 CFO act agencies as well as members of the small agency council were involved in the developing of the standards.
9. Please list participating state or local governments agencies involved in developing and implementing standards for the initiative/LOB:  
None
10. Please list participating private sector organizations involved in developing and implementing standards for the initiative/LOB:  
Oracle/Peoplesoft  
SAP  
CGI/AMS  
Savantage  
DSG

11. Please list participating voluntary consensus standards bodies involved in developing and implementing standards for the initiative/LOB:

None

12. Please provide a list of standards relevant to the development and implementation of the initiative/LOB. (Please include the standard's designation, full name, date, and if available, the URL to the standard)

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